

The Explosion at Clydach Vale,

Which occurred on Friday evening, March 10th, 1905.

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On that fatal Friday evening,
Through the neighbourhood of Clydach
Vale,

See the smoke from every direction,
Filling every place within,
Oh this dread and fearful sorrow
To the widows that's in pain,
Who have lost their loving husbands
On earth they'll never meet again.

Listen to the cry of children
In the neighbourhood night and day,
Who have lost their loving fathers
From this world has passed away.
Widows weeping and lamenting
'Till the tears do fall like rain,
For our loved ones gone before us
And they left us here behind.

On the pit top crowds collected,
With aching hearts with hope and fear,
Wives were looking for their husbands,
Mothers for their sons so dear,
Some came alive God owns the glory,
But others death claimed prisoners there,
Let us hope this will be the last one
That will occur in anywhere.

There is no one knows what moment
Upon him may come a call,
And will take him without warning
Right into another world,
Now those men are lying
In the earth beneath the sod,
'Till the Angels blow their trumpets
To appear before their God.

Hoff gyfeillion, dewch i wrando
Arnaf yn traethu galargan,
Modd wnaeth anghen unwaith eto
Ddifa dynion trwy y tan ;
O mae'r awyr heddyw'n feichiog
Gan ochneidiau gweddwon ni,
Plant amddifaid sydd yn wylo
Wedi colli eu tadau cu.

Y pryd un prydawn dydd Gwener,
Rhywle tua chwech o'r gloch ;
Clywer swn taranau lawer
Trwy Clydach Vale 'n rhuo'n groch ;
Gwyr a gwagedd neidient allan
O'u canadau y pryd hyn,
Er cael gwel'd beth oedd y twrw,
Cryna'r lle fel daeargryn.

Wedi hyn fe ddaeth y newydd
Mai y pwell yr oedd ar dan,
Nid oes neb o fewn yr ardal
Heb wylofain mawr na man ;
O pa galon ddeil heb deimlo
Wrth ymdewi hyn o gan,
Fam yn llefain am ei bachgen
Wedi ei golli ef yn lan.

Mae y weddw yno'n wylo
'Rol ei hanwyl brid cu,
A'r chwirydd am eu brodyr,
Welant byth o fewn y ty.
Nid oes neb yn y gym'dogaeth
Heb deimladau dwfn a thrist,
Am fod rhai'n wedi myned
Fry i orphwys gyda Christ.

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